

ATTACHMENT TO INTERVIEW OF DECEMBER 09, 2008

Attorney Jules Goldberg has accepted the following Examiner's Amendment to claim 1 line 7 whereby "a" is deleted and inserted in its place ---- an adjustable ----, which amendment renders claims 1-6 and 8-19 allowable over the art of record.

Claims 20-25 will be cancelled.

Examiner indicated that rejoining claims 20-24 which was patentably different. The non-elected claims had the feature of anchoring which was considered but an updated search of the instant claims and non-elected process claims yielded a reference to LaFrance et al 20030027332 [10/198628] that may be considered to be obvious double patenting for claims 20-24 based on claims 39-40 of the reference. There is no obviousness type for the allowable claims.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional(s) to the cancelled non-elected claims 20-25.

Approval of the Examiner's Amendment has been approved on December 9, 2008.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HERBERT J. LILLING whose telephone number is 571-272-0918. The examiner can normally be reached on WORK AT HOME MAXIFLEX.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JON WEBER can be reached on 571-272-0925. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Claims 20-24 and product claim 25 have been cancelled.

In Claim 1 line 7, delete "a" and inserted in its place ---- an adjustable ---

Applicant has reserved the right to file divisional(s) to the cancelled non-elected invention(s).

In addition, Examiner had considered rejoining claims 20-24 process claims for allowance which claims may be rejected for double patenting over 20030027332 [10/198628] withdrawn claims which includes claims 39 and 40.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was approved by Attorney Jules Goldberg on December 09, 2008

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